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SUBJECT: COUNTRY CLEARANCE FOR VISIT OF NEA S&T SENIOR
ADVISOR CHARLES LAWSON FOR MIDDLE EAST
DESALINATION RESEARCH CENTER MEETING, JULY 9-13,
2007

[¶1.](#) This is an action cable. Please see para. 4.

[¶2.](#) The Middle East Desalination Research Center (MEDRC) Executive Council will hold its next meeting in Salalah July 11, 2007. NEA Senior Advisor for Science and Technology Charles A. Lawson, who is the U.S. Executive Council member (and Council Vice Chairman), is planning to represent the USG at the meeting.

[¶3.](#) Lawson has reservations to travel on the following itinerary:

July 9 - Arrives Muscat at 2130 hrs. on Lufthansa flight 618 from Frankfurt.
July 10 - Departs Muscat at 1540 hrs. on Oman Air flight 515. Arrives Salalah at 1710 hrs.
July 12 - Departs Salalah at 1800 hrs. on Oman Air flight [¶516](#). Arrives Muscat at 1930 hrs.
July 13 - Departs Muscat at 0600 hrs. on Royal Jordanian flight 601 for Amman.

[¶4.](#) Action request. Post is requested to provide country clearance for Lawson's visit. Post's assistance in securing reservations in Muscat at the Intercontinental Hotel for the

evenings of July 9 and 12 is greatly appreciated (Lawson already has reservations at the Crowne Plaza in Salalah for evenings of the July 10-11).

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